Board of Selectmen

Board Goals and Objectives FY2011

1. GOAL - Maintain Community's Financial Stability and Well-being

- Objective A Develop a FY2012 Town budget that avoids an override while maintaining core Town services.
- Objective B Identify and maintain the quality of core Town services.
- Objective C Reduce dependence on property tax by identifying additional revenue sources (including, but not limited to, any gifts or grants, as well as opportunities for public/private partnerships) and increasing regular financial support from non-profit entities in Concord.
- Objective D Engage in discussion of state budget priorities for both Town and school operations.
- Objective E Maintain regular communication with School Committees and Finance Committee, and participate actively in discussion of Concord Carlisle High School facilities planning.
- Objective F Promote energy efficiency, energy conservation, and renewable energy generation to reduce short- and long-term energy costs to Concord citizens and institutions and to reduce impacts on climate and the environment.

2. GOAL – Promote Near-term and Long-Range Planning to Maintain and Enhance the Town's Unique Character.

- Objective A Collaborate with Planning Board to establish pro-active planning priorities.
- Objective B Continue to support the West Concord Task Force in the execution of its charge.
- Objective C Support on-going wastewater planning efforts.
- Objective D Support efforts to enhance telecommunications and technology services in Concord.
- Objective E Protect existing natural resources.

- Objective F Acquire land or support the acquisition of land for the preservation of open space, agriculture, recreation, and municipal operations, and to help provide a range of housing alternatives.
- Objective G Preserve Concord's historic and cultural heritage.
- Objective H Engage Planning Board and housing groups in discussion of addressing the Town's need for housing diversity.
- Objective I Support the efforts of the 375th Anniversary Committee and the celebration of the Town's 375th anniversary.

3. GOAL – Focus on the Selectmen's Role as Key Policy-Making Board Through Effective Board Organization, Governance, and Communication

- Objective A Oversee and support the work of the Town Manager.
- Objective B Develop concrete Board policies to shape decisions made by appointed committees and Town staff and to ensure legal and regulatory compliance.
- Objective C Facilitate communication between the Board of Selectmen and the residents of Concord.
- Objective D Make more information about Town Government available to the public via the web, CCTV and other media.
- Objective E Maintain and enhance relations with Massachusetts and federal legislative delegations, state agencies and regional authorities.
- Objective F Reserve time, as needed, at Selectmen's meetings for more in-depth fact-finding and discussion on specific issues related to the Selectmen's objectives.

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